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**Attorney Docket No.** 06005/39056**First Inventor** Douglas P. Gethmann**Title** Valve Packing Removal Device**Express Mail Label No.** EV 323778445 USPTO  
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10720**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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2. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. <i>See 37 CFR 1.27.</i>	8. <input type="checkbox"/> Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission <i>(if applicable, all necessary)</i>
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1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>		(\$ 750.00)			

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	-20** =	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
20	-20** =			
Independent Claims 3	-3** =			
Multiple Dependent				

Large Entity Small Entity

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1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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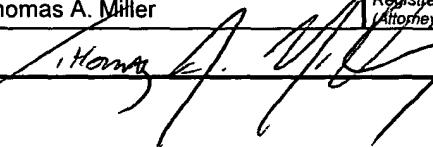
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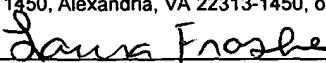
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